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The Comptroller, CIA

19 December 1950

Law Division

Tort Claim

1. Forwarded herewith are all reports relative to a claim submitted by Mr. Paul R. Ricketts, in connection with an accident which occurred at 12th and Constitution Avenue, N. W., on 20 November 1950.

2. The material is forwarded to your office in view of the fact that the Comptroller and Assistant Comptroller have been delegated the authority to settle certain tort claims.

3. The facts represented in the enclosed reports indicate a case of negligence under circumstances where the United States, if a private person, would be liable to the claimant in accordance with the laws of the District of Columbia. Therefore, in the view of the Law Division, you have the authority to approve the claim presented by Mr. Ricketts, pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Tort Claims Act, which authorizes administrative adjustment of certain tort claims (Title 28, Section 2672, U. S. Code).

4. In this connection, we direct your attention to Bureau of the Budget Circular No. A-5 Revised, dated 18 March 1949, which promulgates standard forms to be used in the processing of claims under the Federal Tort Claims Act.

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Encl:

S.F. 93 "Report of Investigating Officer" w/Exhibits

A, B, C, and D.

(A - Operator's Report of Motor Vehicle Accident

B - Statement of [redacted]

C - Investigator's Diagram of Scene of Accident

D - Statement & Claim made by Paul R. Ricketts)

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